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In re application of:

YANG *et al.*

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In reply to the Office Action dated **April 23, 2002**, (PTO Prosecution File
Wrapper Paper No. 9), Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks. This
Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along
with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37
C.F.R. § 1.121 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version
with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are
required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying
this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent
abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned